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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: PAUL FIRESTONE :

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Serial No.: 09/635,624

Filed: August 10, 2000

Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR

**COLLECTING VEHICLE FEES** 

475 Park Avenue South

Examiner: J. Franklin

Group No.: 2876

New York, NY 10016

Commissioner of Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the Office Action of the Primary Examiner dated June 16, 2004.

NOTICE OF APPE

The Notice of Appeal fee of \$330.00

[X] is to be charged to the American Express Account of the undersigned attorney. PTO Form 2038 is enclosed herewith.

Should any extension of time be required to maintain this case in pending condition, appropriate requests therefore are hereby made. Authorization is hereby given to credit any overpayments or debit any charges to Deposit Account No. 02-2275.

Signature: (Rule 191 (b))

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